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REPORT OF TASK FORCE ON HRD IN IT
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Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

A) Whether the Government have received the report of Task Force on Human Resource Development (HRD) in the Information Technology (IT);

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) the recommendations made by the said Task Force;

(d) whether these were examined by the Government;

(e) if so, the response of the Government thereto; and

(f) the time by which these are likely to be implemented with the funds required therefor?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (Dr. MURLI MANOHAR JOSHI)

(a): Yes Sir.

(b) to (f): The Task Force has made forty-seven (47) specific recommendations to ensure adequate supply of manpower for the Information Technology sector. The objective is to provide quality IT professionals for both meeting the domestic and global demands.

This shall be done by strengthening and upgrading the technical education system in the country. It is proposed to give special focus on increase in intake in `Quality` Institutions and upgrade some of them to improve the quality of their programmes. These recommendations specifically relate to IT faculty development, IT curriculum & courseware development, strengthening of computing and networking facilities, digitization and modernization of libraries, use of IT for administrative support services and promoting interface with industry. Strategy for overall institutional development with networking has been proposed. Measures identified for development of IT faculty include scaling up of Early Faculty Induction Programme (EFIP),Quality Improvement Programme (QIP) and introduction of Sequential Post Graduate Programmes, allowing transmigration and switchover of faculty from interfacing disciplines. It is expected that recommendations, when implemented would result in an overall increase in availability of quality IT manpower in the country. This will help the Indian software services sector to increase its productivity and move up the value chain, enabling the country to capture larger share of global markets of IT software and services. Efforts are being made to ensure that the implementation of various recommendations is done at the earliest.